

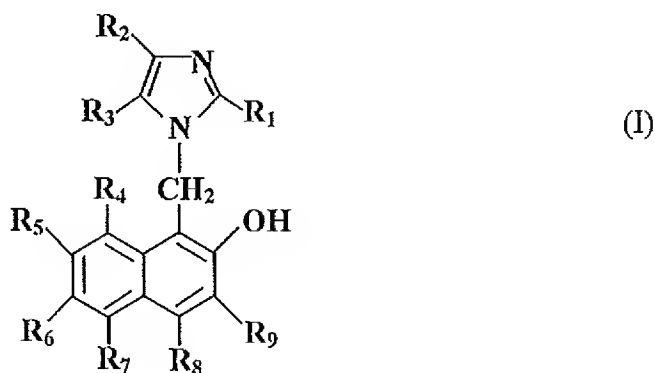
**Amendments to the Claims**

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**Listing of Claims**

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Claim 1 (previously presented). Composition comprising as component A) a 1-imidazolylmethyl-substituted 2-naphthol compound of the general formula (I)



where

R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, and R<sub>3</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-17</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; or aromatic or aliphatic C<sub>3-12</sub> acyl;

R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>7</sub>, R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally

substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-17</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkoxy; or OH; and

as component B) a phenol selected from the group consisting of 1,4-n-pentylphenol, n-hexylphenol, n-heptylphenol, n-octylphenol, n-decylphenol, and O,O'-diallyl-bisphenol A which is liquid at room temperature, with a weight ratio of component A) to component B) being from 25:75 to 50:50.

Claim 2 (currently amended). Composition according to claim ~~Claim~~ 1, wherein R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl; phenyl; or C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups.

Claim 3 (currently amended). Composition according to claim ~~Claim~~ 2, wherein R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> are each H; and R<sub>1</sub> is C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl; phenyl; or C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups.

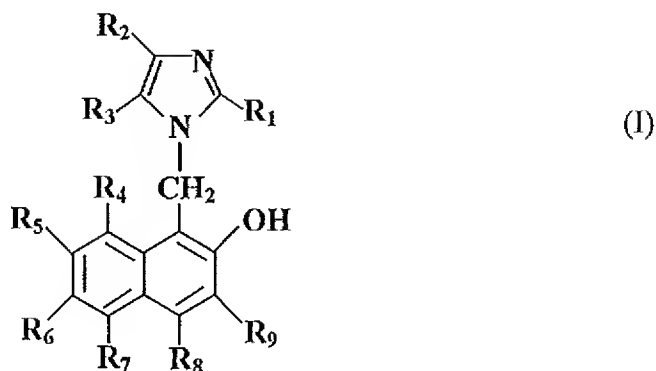
Claim 4 (currently amended). Composition according to claim ~~Claim~~ 3, wherein R<sub>2-9</sub> are a hydrogen atom and R<sub>1</sub> is C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl, or phenyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups.

Claim 5 (previously presented). Composition according to claim ~~Claim~~ 1, wherein component B) is O,O'-diallyl-bisphenol A.

Claims 6-7 (cancelled).

Claim 8 (previously presented). Curable composition comprising:

- a) an epoxy resin whose epoxide content is from 0.1 to 11 epoxide equivalents/kg;
- b) from 5 to 40 parts by weight, based on the total weight of the curable composition, a composition comprising a 1-imidazolylmethyl-substituted 2-naphthol compound of the general formula (I)



where

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R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, R<sub>6</sub>, R<sub>7</sub>, R<sub>8</sub> and R<sub>9</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-

- 3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-17</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; C<sub>1-12</sub> alkoxy; or OH; and
- a phenol selected from the group consisting of 1,4-n-pentylphenol, n-hexylphenol, n-heptylphenol, n-octylphenol, n-decylphenol, and O,O'-diallyl-bisphenol A which is liquid at room temperature, the weight ratio of the 1-imidazolylmethyl-substituted 2-naphthol compound to phenol being from 25:75 to 50:50;
- c) a curing agent for the epoxy resin having from 0.5 to 1.5 functional groups per epoxide group; and optionally
- d) one or more additives.

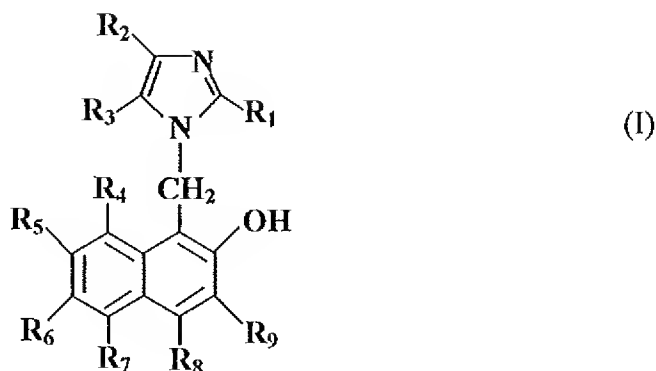
Claim 9 (currently amended). Composition according to claim ~~Claim~~ 8, wherein the curing agent is an amine or polyamine.

Claim 10 (currently amended). Composition according to claim Claim 9, characterized in that the curing agent is a polyoxypropylenediamine.

Claim 11 (original). Composition according to Claim 8, characterized in that the epoxy resin is a glycidyl ether, glycidyl ester, N-glycidyl or N,O-glycidyl derivative of an aromatic or heterocyclic compound, or a cycloaliphatic glycidyl compound.

Claim 12 (cancelled).

Claim 13 (previously presented). A method for making a curable composition comprising adding to an epoxy resin a curing agent, a 1-imidazolylmethyl-substituted 2-naphthol compound of the general formula (I)



where

R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, and R<sub>3</sub> each independently of one another are H; C<sub>1-17</sub> alkyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> cycloalkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>4-20</sub> cycloalkyl-alkyl, optionally substituted by C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>6-10</sub> aryl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>7-15</sub> phenylalkyl, optionally substituted by 1-3 C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl groups; C<sub>3-17</sub> alkenyl; C<sub>3-12</sub> alkynyl; or aromatic or aliphatic C<sub>3-12</sub> acyl;

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a phenol selected from the group consisting of 1,4-n-pentylphenol, n-hexylphenol, n-heptylphenol, n-octylphenol, n-decylphenol, and O,O'-diallyl-bisphenol A which is liquid at room temperature, the weight ratio of the 1-imidazolymethyl-substituted 2-naphthol compound to phenol being from 25:75 to 50:50.

Claim 14 (previously presented). The method of claim 13 wherein the 1-imidazolymethyl-substituted 2-naphthol compound of formula (I) and the phenol are dissolved beforehand in the curing agent at a temperature between 60° - 80° C.

Claim 15 (currently amended). A prepreg comprising a curable composition according to claim Claim 8.